

DOMINION LEADERS VISITING HONOLULU

Liberia's Consul General Here Dr. Oronhyalekha and Dr. Montague Are Return- ing to British America from Australia--- Chief Ranger of I. O. O. F.

Two prominent Canadians arrived last night from Australia by the steamer Aorangi. They are stopping at the Hawaiian Hotel. One is the Hon. Dr. Oronhyalekha, the Consul General of Liberia in Canada, and the other is the Hon. Dr. Montague, P. C., ex-Secretary of State for Canada, and for many years a member of the Federal Government, having served under Sir Mackenzie Bowell and Sir Charles Tupper.

Both gentlemen are returning to Canada from Australia where the Hon. Dr. Montague has made an extended visit, and where the Hon. Dr. Oronhyalekha spent several months on business pertaining to his order. When seen last night by a Republican reporter, the travelers spoke of having enjoyed a very pleasant trip. They had many good things to say of Captain Phillips and the Aorangi.

Canada and Australia.

Hon. Dr. Montague has visited Honolulu before and says he only regrets that he cannot remain longer to enjoy the delights of the place.

As to Canadian affairs, the Doctor says he has not been in touch with them for the past nine months, but he hopes that Canada is still on friendly relations with the people of the United States and will forever remain so. He says that a strenuous effort is being made to bring Aus-

tralia and Canada closer together in the way of trade. The Pacific cable which will soon be completed, he says, will add to the prospects in this direction.

Unique Figure in Dominion.

Hon. Dr. Oronhyalekha is a unique figure in Canada. He is a man of magnificent physique and is a member of the Mowhawk race of Indians—the old United Empire loyalist Indians—and a descendant of Joseph Brant, the great Indian chief.

Dr. Oronhyalekha was educated at Oxford, England, and at Toronto, Canada, and is an accomplished scholar. He has for many years been the head of the Independent Order of Foresters, and has been travelling on the continents of America, Europe, Asia and Australia in the interests of that organization.

Leader of the Foresters.

The Doctor is one of Canada's leading men and has many times resisted the temptation to go into public life. He is a splendid speaker and a clever debater. He expressed regret that he was unable to remain over in Honolulu. He had heard so much about the beauties of the Paradise of the Pacific that he would like to make an extended visit here.

Dr. Montague is also a leading member of the Independent Order of Foresters. Both gentlemen will attend the Triennial meeting of the Order at Los Angeles in April.

BANQUET, DANCE AND A CONCERT

Hawaiian Hotel Festivities

The beauties of storied fairyland never seem more brightly than did the settings of the scene of dainty jollity at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel last evening.

There in that famous hostelry were gathered the elite of the society of Honolulu who, at the invitation of Manager Lake, graced the mansion with their charming presence, happy to partake of the hospitality of so delightful a host.

The first event in the evening's round of merriment was a banquet given by Mrs. C. D. Warner and her beautiful daughter, Miss Marjorie, to twelve invited guests who gathered around a board as rich in floral magnificence as it was in tempting viands.

The artistic hand of Manager Lake had fashioned the masses of glorious blooms and bursting buds, arranging the horticultural delights in so bewitching a manner that one scarce knew whether he dined in paradise or on an earthly realm.

Beauty of the Flowers.
A profusion of pink carnations lent a blushing tenderness to the color effect and, in the center of the table, a cluster of rare blossoms arose imperiously from the cut glass confines of a massive and splendid bowl.

From among the delicate stems and flowers there peeped forth tiny electric lights, shedding their effulgence generously around.

Multi-colored globes of light were suspended above the heads of the enraptured guests, giving to the scene of charmingly arranged and beautiful women and scrupulously attired and gallant men, a gorgeous glow.

Mrs. Warner's Guests.
Seated around the table were: Mrs. C. D. Warner, Miss Marjorie Warner, the Misses Angus, Miss Bacon, Miss Grace, Messrs. E. H. Telfer, C. H. W. Norton, Jack Atkinson, George Angus, Fred Angus, Dr. McDougal and Lieut. Hancock.

During dinner the guests were entertained by the quaint music and songs of the native band, and as the soft plaintive strains of Aloha Oe were wafted through the banquet hall, they found a responsive echo in the hearts of those assembled.

Strains of Territorial Band.
Just as the dinner ended the Territorial Band, stationed in the front of the Hotel, rendered the following beautiful selections, all of which received the applause and ecstasies that they so richly merited:

1. March, "Crack of the Whip," Henry Overture, "Zampa"..... Herold
3. Selection, "Musical Review"..... Rivier

4. (a) "Marie-Louise," (b) "Coro," Miss J. Kellian.
- (c) "Adelaide," (d) "The Gray and the Blue," Mrs. N. Alapai.
5. Waltz, "Charming Beauties," Tobani.
6. March, "A Bunch of Blackberries," Hoffman.

"The Star Spangled Banner."
Dancing Follows the Concert.

All the guests had now gathered on the spacious lanais of the hotel, which had been especially prepared for tete-a-tete parties and dancing. Right royally did the couples dance as the strains of a waltz rose and swelled until young and old were tripping away the happy hours, hours that can never be recalled nor forgotten. The time passed only too rapidly and at twelve the guests slowly began their homeward flight after many warm adieux to Manager Lake and his charming wife, who have, by their gracious manner, made this noted hostelry the pride of Honolulu.

Some Guests Present.

The following are a few names of those present: The Misses Lishman, Miss Carlson, Miss Livingston, Miss Maloia, Miss Sargent, Miss Casey, Miss Reid, Lieut. Hugh Rodman and wife, Mrs. Renford, Mrs. Casey, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Coffey, Post Master Out and wife, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Sachs, Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fonger, Messrs. R. B. Booth, J. Higley, E. M. Macusick, H. Giles, Edward M. Watson, Harry W. Robinson, Robert C. A. Peterson, Wm. C. Crook, W. Buchanan, R. G. Holt, James B. Dougherty, R. W. Shingle, Nelson Lansing, V. G. Holt, Geo. Paris, Archie A. Young, Capt. Pond, Capt. Merry, Dr. C. B. High, Dr. Grossman.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Will Increase its Fleet by Five New Steamers.

The Aorangi brought the news to this city yesterday that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha will increase its fleet by five new steamers in the current year. The Komano Maru, 4841 tons register, was launched at Glasgow in June last for the company's Australian line; the Tyo Maru, 6000 tons register, launched last month at Nagasaki for the Hongkong-Seattle line; the Hidak Maru, 700 tons, the Takachi Maru, 1000 tons, and the Teschio Maru, 1000 tons, are in course of construction at Kobe.

H. Hackfeld & Co. are the representatives of the company at this port.

Will Hold Big Meeting to Ratify President's Message

Home Rule Republicans Decide to Call on Public Emphatically Endorse Roosevelt's Annunciation of American Principles---Committee Arranging Details of the Great Gathering---Dole Matter Is Deferred.

"The Hawaiians will be the first to show their appreciation of Americanism in the Hawaiian Islands," said an ardent member of the Home Rule Republican party last night, just after the meeting of the executive committee of that organization in Foster hall.

Before January 2nd the Home Rule Republican party will call a great mass meeting of the citizens of Honolulu and those of such other portions of the Territory as may be in town, for the purpose of ratifying President Roosevelt's message to Congress, particularly as the message refers so much, directly and indirectly, to this Territory.

This matter was discussed at the meeting of the executive committee last night and Chairman Kauiua appointed a committee of five, with Prince Cupid Kalaniana'ole as chairman, to consider the ways and means for organizing the mass meeting.

It is the purpose of the Home Rule Republican party to make this meeting a memorable event in the history of Hawaii. The Hawaiians have been in the President's message new hope, new opportunity and new power.

Hawaiians Sustain Roosevelt.

Said a prominent Home Ruler last evening:

"The greatest word of encouragement which Hawaii ever received came in the form of President Roosevelt's message to Congress.

"This is a fact appreciated by the Home Rule Republican party to a very great extent. We feel that our efforts to establish American conditions in Hawaii have been endorsed. We feel that the anxiety in regard to the struggle of Americanism with all that is opposed to American principles has been done away with.

"Ever since the Islands became an American Territory it has been the wish of the best Hawaiians to see American principles firmly established.

MURPHY MOVEMENT ENDORSED BY W. C. T. U.

REGRET LOSING DR. HARTLEY.

Believed Worthy Successor Chosen
In Rev. W. H. Rice—Miss Mary Green Tells of Work Done by Band of Hope—Reports Read.

The present manner in which the Murphy Temperance movement is being conducted in Honolulu is looked upon with favor by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of this city.

The active and aggressive campaign waged against all forms of intemperance, as inaugurated by the Murphy Temperance League, received much consideration at the hands of the W. C. T. U. which met yesterday afternoon, in the parlors of Central Union Church.

Besides submitting regular reports, the meeting was largely given up to general and informal discussions which were participated in by many included in the large representation present.

The work of the Anti-Saloon League was also brought forward by Mrs. J. M. Whitney, the president. Many expressions of regret were voiced over the contemplated departure of Dr. L. M. Hartley, who for the past six months has filled the position of Superintendent of the League. It was the general sense of the meeting that in the selection of Rev. W. H. Rice, the Anti-Saloon forces had chosen a worthy successor to Dr. Hartley.

Rev. W. H. Rice comes to this city from Oberlin, Ohio. He is a worker possessing a wide experience along evangelic lines.

The report of the Band of Hope, submitted by Miss Mary Green, indicated that affairs connected with this branch of temperance work were progressing to a flattering degree.

Fire Claims Commission.

The Fire Claims Commission will adjourn today for a couple of months. This time will be needed for the clerk

ed here, for we realize that in this, and in no other way, can the people of this country fully enjoy good government.

Exclusion of Chinese.

"What President Roosevelt has said in reference to the exclusion of Chinese, the land laws and various other matters appertaining to Hawaii meets the grateful approval of the Home Rule Republican party and the party now proposes adopting a resolution at a mass meeting, which will be attended not only by members of the party, but by every true American who can possibly be present—a resolution of ratification. It will be a resolution endorsing, ratifying and approving in every way and particular the message of the President of the nation of which Hawaii is a part. We expect a grand meeting and an enthusiastic one. We deem it fitting and appropriate that the Home Rule Republican party should thus be the first political organization in this Territory to express its appreciation and approval of the message of President Roosevelt.

"Of course we realize that it is but natural that those who have been working so industriously for the introduction of additional Asiatic labor and other things, against American interests, should find but little to endorse in the President's message.

Represent American Element.

"It is partly for this reason that we feel that we are representing the American element when we call a mass meeting to ratify the message of President Roosevelt.

"We are proud to be the first to hail with delight the words of encouragement given us by one who seems to have the best interests of this Territory as well as the whole of the American nation at heart."

The mass meeting will be held at the drill shed. There will be speeches and the resolution will be submitted.

Judge Estee will be asked to speak as will also Justice Galbraith and several others.

Prince Cupid, chairman of the committee on the organization of the mass meeting, will call a meeting of the committee today, when the great

to enter up the decisions already arrived at. Thirteen hundred Japanese absentee claims have still to be disposed of.

NIPPON MARU HAS ARRIVED IN PORT

The Toyo Kisen Kaisha's steamer Nippon Maru was reported ten miles off port at ten minutes after three o'clock this morning.

DR. HARTLEY ON TEMPERANCE

Enthusiastic Meeting Held Last Night at Queen Emma Hall.

A very enthusiastic temperance meeting was held last night at Queen Emma hall, under the auspices of the Francis Murphy Club. An unusual number of visitors and many members of the club were present. Rev. Dr. Hartley delivered an address on the subject which has been accomplished during the past year by the several temperance organizations of this town, and declared the situation as being very satisfactory.

Dr. Hartley announced that he had resigned as president of the Anti-Saloon League, and that he would soon depart for Oakland, where he will take up his residence.

Miss Eva Hartley played several selections on the piano and the club members furnished the music.

RAPID TRANSIT CARS COLLIDE

Fenders Shattered in Crash Near the Nuuanu Bridge.

Two Rapid Transit cars collided at the Hotel street switch at the bridge crossing over Nuuanu stream yesterday morning. The outgoing car going down the grade missed connections with the switch, and, meeting a Puna-hou bound car, was unable to get on the other track in time to prevent an accident. The damage was slight and consisted mainly of the removal of a little paint and the shattering of the car fenders.

affair will be planned and speakers will be considered.

Meeting Early in January.

Various other matters were discussed at the meeting of the Home Rule Republican party executive committee last evening, but no definite action was taken on any question. There are still several resolutions being considered which have not yet been acted upon.

The resolution of ratification, which will be submitted to the mass meeting, will dwell with emphasis on the benefits which will accrue to this Territory if the principles laid down in the message of the President are carried out.

The mass meeting will be called before, or on January 2nd, so that the resolution can be forwarded to Delegate Wilcox at Washington in the steamer leaving for San Francisco on January 3rd. This will give Delegate Wilcox time to present the resolution at the re-convention of Congress after Christmas holiday recess.

No Action in Dole Matter.

Mrs. Robert W. Wilcox, wife of Hawaii's Delegate, was present at the meeting last night. Mrs. Wilcox was there as a spectator, taking no active part.

Prince Cupid Kalaniana'ole suggested to the meeting that a press committee be appointed for the purpose of giving out to the newspapers such facts as were for publication. The matter was not considered, however, being laid on the table until some future date.

The meeting, as usual, was held behind closed doors, members of the press being excluded and none being admitted except members of the Home Rule Republican party.

The matter of a resolution in regard to the governorship was brought up again last evening and discussed at length. No definite action was taken, however. Some action of a radical nature will be taken in the next few days, it is said. Governor Dole will be asked for a final answer in regard to his resignation.

The Home Rule Council bill also came up and was read and discussed.

AORANGI ARRIVES FROM THE COLONIES

QUICK TRIP BY BRITISH BOAT.

J. D. S. Phillips and F. E. Bellmaine, Formerly of the Warimoo, Now Respectively Captain and Purser of the Mail Boat—Sails Today.

After a quick passage from Australia the R. M. S. "Aorangi," 4,268 tons, J. D. S. Phillips, Commander, arrived at Honolulu at 8 p. m. last evening. She left Sydney at 2 p. m. Dec. 2, and meeting with fine weather off the Australian coast, arrived at Brisbane, Queensland, at 7 a. m. 4th inst. Proceeded on voyage at 1 a. m. Dec. 7, and experienced fine weather with smooth seas throughout. Sighted the Lones group on the 9th, and passed close to Aorangi Island at noon on the 11th inst., arriving at Honolulu as above.

Captain Hay, who has commanded the Aorangi for some time past, having been appointed Assistant Harbor Master at Sydney, the Aorangi is now under the command of Captain Phillips, late of the R. M. S. "Warimoo," and with him are the following officers: S. Mortimer, Chief Officer; A. Mason, Second Officer; W. Shipwright, Third Officer; G. M. Clavton, Fourth Officer; P. Ferris, Chief Engineer; J. Jackson, Surgeon; F. E. Bellmaine, purser, late of the Warimoo.

The Aorangi will sail at half past two this afternoon, her mail closing at 1:30 p. m.

Central Union Choir.

The Central Union Church choir met in regular rehearsal yesterday evening preparatory to the Sunday musical program.

Change Their Quarters.

Attorneys Edward M. Watson, and J. H. Farley, and H. W. Robinson, of the Honolulu Republican, have taken a handsome suite of rooms at Helen's Court.

CHANGE THE TARO AND BANISH PESTS

Suggestion of Prof. Koebele Dry-Land Root Will Abolish Flooded Patches in Honolulu and Extinguish Mosquitoes---Entomologist's Trip.

Professor Koebele, government entomologist, returned in the steamer Mauna Loa yesterday from a five weeks' trip of investigation on the islands of Hawaii and Maui. He was not at his office in the Capitol yesterday.

The professor was seen at his home on Lunalilo street. He was full of interesting information and memories of the sea trip from the Big Island.

Professor Koebele traversed the island of Hawaii in a very thorough manner and gathered much of value in the way of scientific data and general information. He spoke of the various places visited and waxed enthusiastic over the work being done by some of the small farmers on Hawaii. His conversation, however, generally returned to the all absorbing topic of bugs.

Discovers New Lady-Bug.

In Hamakua the professor discovered a new lady-bug. That is, he discovered a lady-bug which has never before been noticed in these islands by the scientists. Nowhere else in the Territory have these lady-bugs been observed. All along the Hamakua coast Professor Koebele found these little insects in abundance. These lady-bugs are brilliantly colored and very pretty to gaze upon. They feed upon various plant lice and are quite a blessing in some ways. They have their faults, but the latter are small compared to their virtues.

The species discovered at Hamakua by Professor Koebele is somewhat different from the septempunctatus, or common European species. Mr. Koebele brought a few specimens back with him and will study them at his leisure. The lady-bug, lady-bug, lady-bug or lady-fly, belongs to the genus coccinella.

Taro and Mosquitoes.

Honolulu has for a long time made strenuous kicks against the pestiferous mosquitoes. Tourists coming to the Paradise of the Pacific have departed, saying: "There is but one thing against Honolulu, and that is the mosquito pest."

Various schemes have been suggested for doing away with the objectionable biters. Kerosene has been championed as the cure for the trouble. It has been stated that kerosene placed upon the surface of still waters in and around the city would effectually do away with the mosquito nuisance.

Professor Koebele has a suggestion that, if it is carried out, will not only materially help to do away with the mosquitoes in and around Honolulu, but will go a long way to prevent the pest families which now and then, of late years, have seemed to threaten the poi eating community.

During his trip on Hawaii the professor noted with interest the growth of dry-land taro in the Kona district. The majority of the native Hawaiians are exceedingly fond of the dry-land taro, preferring this article to that raised in the swampy lands, known as water-taro.

Matures in Short Time.

In the District of Kona, dry-land taro is being grown to a very large extent. The plant matures within six months, whereas the water-taro, that grows in the wet lands, lands continuously flooded, takes a much longer time to mature.

The dry-land taro is large and the professor observed some splendid specimens of the plant in Kona and elsewhere on the island of Hawaii. Particularly fine poi is made from the dry-land taro. The entomologist was shown a large bowl of poi in Kona, a bowl holding enough poi for a meal for fifteen or twenty people, and was told that the poi had been made from seven dry-land taro roots.

"If dry-land taro was grown in and around Honolulu instead of water-taro," said Professor Koebele, "all these objectionable taro patches which surround the city and threaten its healthfulness, would be done away with."

Mosquitoes in Taro Patches.

"It is in the taro patches that a great proportion of the mosquitoes breed. A great number of taro patches, continually covered with water, water which is bound to be more or less undisturbed and which surrounds the city, cannot be a healthful condition. That they breed mosquitoes is a fact beyond contradiction."

"If these patches were done away with, by the abolishment of the growing of water-taro in the near neighborhood of the city, and the establish-

ment of the dry-land taro industry, the number of pestiferous mosquitoes would be wonderfully decreased."

"It would be better for the city in many ways to cultivate the dry-land taro, leaving the growing of water-taro to people in the country districts where the presence of water-covered land is not as likely to work harm to those who live around."

"Dry-land taro matures quicker; it makes better poi, so the natives say, and does not seem to have so many enemies in the insect world as does the water-taro. I do not know if the dry-land taro does as well on Oahu as it does on Hawaii, but do not see why it should not. I think it would be a good thing to do away with the present taro patches around Honolulu. The city would be more healthful. There would be fewer mosquitoes and, if dry-land taro was cultivated in its place, there would not be so much trouble in meeting the demand for poi at a reasonable price, a demand created by that large proportion of the community which looks upon poi as one of the necessities of life."

The Buchholz Plantation.

Professor Koebele spent a day or two with Franz Buchholz, coffee planter, dairyman and fruit raiser, at his prolific plantation in the Kona district. The professor reports that Buchholz is not doing much in the coffee line at the present time. He is raising a large quantity of castor oil beans, however, and finds it a paying industry. Some of those who are raising this bean are getting as much as sixty dollars per ton and are unable to fill the orders received.

Professor Koebele spoke very highly of the condition of things on the Buchholz plantation. He spoke of onions half the size of cabbages, and a variety of fruit which was encouraging to one of his profession. Here it was evident that bugs had been fought off with considerable skill. The ravages of insects were very small.

Franz Buchholz has one of the finest truck gardens in all the islands. Formerly he grew considerable coffee, since the ground is rather rocky where the coffee trees are, the crops have not been large and the farmer is paying more attention to castor oil beans and other things.

Looking for Crows.

Professor H. W. Henshaw, according to Professor Koebele, is engaged in certain work for the Smithsonian Institute at Washington. He is looking for crows on the island of Hawaii. He will send the best procurable specimens to Washington. The Institute is desirous of procuring some of the Hawaiian crows which differ in many minor points from the crows of other countries.

Professor Henshaw resides at Wai-anuenue, Hilo, and is a learned naturalist and an excellent photographer. Speaking of crows and other birds Professor Koebele referred to the introduction into these islands of the cardinal birds, or grosbeak. He said that while the scarlet crested grosbeak undoubtedly draws upon the insect world for its food to a large extent, it is also very fond of seeds and is, in fact, a seed eating bird. He did not know just how the cardinal birds would get along in Hawaii, or if they would accomplish less harm than good. He thought, however, that the hawks on Hawaii would have something to say in the matter, as would also the mynah birds. He thought that perhaps the cardinal birds would have a hard time keeping alive on Hawaii.

Small Fortune in Grass.

Talking of those districts in Hamakua where the forest recently suffered from fire, Professor Koebele said:

"Not nearly the damage was done by the forest fires which I had been led to suppose. To be sure, the fire destroyed a great quantity of valuable forest trees, but I had supposed that the injury done the country was far greater than it really is."

"Three thousand dollars worth of various grass seeds have been sent for, that the burned over district may be planted in grass. The grass seed will be received from Australia and other parts of the world."

Jared Smith, director of the United States Agricultural Experiment Station in these islands, upon returning from his recent trip to Hawaii, made the same remark. He did not think that as much damage had been done